

**THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION
ON MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2011 AT 6:30 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE NORMAN VOYLES, BRIAN GOSS, AND DON ADAMS.
BRENDA ADAMS, COUNTY AUDITOR, PETE FOLEY, COUNTY ATTORNEY, AND DEB
VERLEY, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, WERE ALSO PRESENT.

NORMAN VOYLES ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER.

NORMAN VOYLES CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

STATE / LOCAL AGREEMENT – *Waverly Grant*

Kenny Hale, Morgan County Planning Director, stated that the county has been awarded a FEMA grant for the purchase of 29 repetitively flooded parcels including 7 homes, and several accessory buildings in Old Town Waverly. The total cost of the mitigation project is \$1,730,990.00. The FEMA portion is \$1,298,243.00 and the CGBG match is \$432,747.00; this project will not cost the taxpayers any money. They will begin the appraisals tomorrow. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the agreement. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

CONSULTING AGREEMENT

Kenny Hale stated this agreement with Advanced Communication is for the Unified Dispatch Feasibility Study. Mr. Hale stated that on Page 2, Article 2, language regarding daily expenses and monthly payments should be stricken since it is mentioned in Page 3. Pete Foley stated that he agreed. The Scope of Work is not as listed in the submitted bid. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the contract pending that the recommended changes were made. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

ROAD NAME

Kenny Hale asked that Morel Lake Lane be used as a road name for a road in Madison Township off of Baltimore Road south of Briarwood Road, across from Aurora Lane. It is a minor plat that the Town of Monrovia approved. Don Adams made a motion to approve the road name. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING AGREEMENT

John Hammel, Hart Lake Conservancy Board, was present to request approval of the engineering services agreement with Midwestern Engineering for a water and wastewater utility planning study. The \$40,000 grant was approved in November. Norman Voyles stated that this was a pass-through grant similar to others that the county has sponsored. Don Adams made a motion to approve the agreement for engineering services. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

LOADER BIDS

Larry Smith, Morgan County Highway Engineer, and Jimmy Waggoner, Acting Morgan County Highway Superintendent, opened bids for a 4 Cubic Yard wheel loader as follows:

Company	Make	Amount	With Trade	Lease	
McAllister Machinery Company	Caterpillar	\$228,000.00	\$218,000.00	\$75,495.58	3-year 3.75%
Buyback \$135,000 60 months 5,000 hours				57,650.79	4-year
180,000 60 months 2,500 hours				46,953.59	5-year
Rudd Equipment	Volvo	198,945.00	196,545.00	68,414.60	3-year
No buyback option				52,269.46	4-year
				42,673.66	5-year
Brandise Machinery & Supply	Komatsu	222,979.00	217,979.00	76,937.02	3-year
No buyback option				58,699.49	4-year
				47,766.76	5-year
Southeastern Equipment	New Holland	182,000.00	176,000.00	61,204.00	3-year
No buyback option				46,874.08	4-year
				38,287.04	5-year
McDonald Machinery	Case	184,900.00	180,900.00	63,768.37	3-year

Buyback \$79,780 60 months 5,000 hours				48,680.66	4-year
				39,876.09	5-year

Mr. Smith asked that the Board table the bids so they would have time to review them. Brian Goss made a motion to take the bids under advisement until the next regular meeting. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

TRANSFER OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

Norman Voyles stated that the jail kitchen recently replaced a deep fryer with a new cooking device. Harrison Township has requested the use of the deep fryer. Brian Goss asked if it was easy to move so other fire departments could use it for fish fries. Sheriff Robert Downey stated that it is possible to move it from place to place. Brian Goss made a motion to allow Harrison Township Fire Department the use of the deep fryer with the stipulation that other fire departments be allowed to use it if they wish. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

APPOINTMENT – COMMON CONSTRUCTION WAGE COMMITTEE

Norman Voyles stated that Bradford Woods has a spillway repair project and they need an appointment to a Common Construction Wage Committee. Don Adams made a motion to appoint Jim Gearing. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

ANNUAL HIGHWAY REPORT

Larry Smith stated that the Annual Highway Report outlines what was spent during the year. Don Adams stated that he would like a comparison of the past ten years. Mr. Smith stated that he had that information available. Total MVH disbursements for 2010: \$2,360,277.62; Local Road & Street: \$1,296,693.56; Cumulative Bridge: \$435,158.61; Other Funds (EDIT) \$1,161,040.94. Total cash and investments as of December 31st was \$2,903,740.82. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the Annual Highway Report. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

JAIL/ WORK RELEASE PROJECT CHANGE ORDER

Norman Voyles stated that the washers and dryers in the jail expansion need to be enclosed so inmates cannot get behind them or put objects behind them. They also need to run fiber optic and a new data switch from the old book-in area to the new book-in area. The total for these two projects is \$10,509.00. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the change order. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

TORT CLAIM / INCIDENT CLAIM

Brian Goss made a motion to send the Horak/Godfrey tort claim and the Shotts incident claims to the proper authorities. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES - 4/4/11

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2011 meeting. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

REQUEST TO USE COURTHOUSE SQUARE

The Apostolic Church requested the use of the Courthouse Square on May 5th from 12 to 1 pm for the National Day of Prayer and Artie Fest requested the dates of July 15th at noon through July 16th at 3 pm. Don Adams made a motion to approve the request pending receipt of the Certificate of Insurance. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

HIGHWAY UPDATE

Jimmy Waggoner, Acting Highway Superintendent, stated that crews have been putting stone in bad areas on roads.

ENGINEER UPDATE

Larry Smith, Morgan County Highway Engineer, stated that R. W. Armstrong is submitting Bridge #44, Peavine Road, as a federal project and they need an LPA Financial Commitment Letter stating that the county will commit to the project if it is awarded. This would be an 80/20 project; the county would pay 20% of the costs to replace the bridge. Scott Hornsby stated that this is a new requirement for this type of project. Don Adams made a motion to approve signing the letter of commitment. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

The contractor removed part of the deck on Bridge #57 on Blue Bluff.

Mr. Smith stated that he had the LPA consulting contract for the sign project with R. W. Armstrong. The contract covers both the MPO and the local design work, sign inventory, GIS database, crash analysis, retroreflectivity, plan development and utility coordination. Scott Hornsby stated that they will

inventory every traffic sign in the county system (up to 6,000). Mr. Smith stated that they do not currently have an inventory, so they do not know if there was a sign in a particular place or not. The federal manual states that any major collector or arterial that has an ADT over 1,000 must be included in the project. The contract fee with R. W. Armstrong is \$242,500. The total grant amount is \$1.1 million and the county must pay 10%. The Council has approved \$125,000 for this purpose.

Mr. Smith mentioned an issue with the state and placing signs in the right of way. Mr. Hornsby stated that a blanket letter from the county attorney stating that the Morgan County Highway Department is within their rights to place signs along the right of way would be acceptable. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the LPA agreement. Seconded by Don Adams. Gerry McGrath asked if the location of the signs would be pinpointed on GPS. Mr. Hornsby stated that they would be entered into the county GIS system. Mr. McGrath asked if county employees would be doing the sign inventory. Mr. Smith stated that the state said the project must be bid if it is over \$100,000 because it goes beyond force account labor. Mr. Goss stated that they did an in-house inventory 15 to 20 years ago. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Smith stated that he will be on vacation for the next two weeks.

COMMENTS

A resident of Waverly Woods stated that the road in the subdivision was a good blacktop road and it is now gravel. Mr. Adams stated that he would look at it. The resident stated several more times that something needed to be done and suggested that it be blacktopped. Mr. Adams stated that funds are limited, and repeated that he would look at it to see what could be done.

Cathy Meoak, a resident on Ballinger Road, stated that there are several chuckholes in the road that need to be patched, although they are working to slow down the traffic. The speed limit is 40 MPH and Ms. Meoak would like the speed limit reduced. Wilbur Road and Pitkin Road, roads that are in the same area, have a limit of 35 MPH. Ms. Meoak stated that she wrote a letter and dropped it off at the highway department, sheriff’s department, and Commissioners’ office. Vehicles are also running the stop sign at the intersection. Brian Goss stated that changing the sign will not do any good unless it’s enforced. Ms. Meoak stated that her son was hit by a car because of someone speeding.

Ms. Meoak stated that she was trying to find a 911 sign to put on her mailbox and noticed several empty fire departments. Ms. Meoak asked what the plans are for the buildings. And stated that she was told that the firemen must also purchase their own televisions in the fire stations. Mr. Goss stated that these are decisions made by the township trustee or township board.

ADJOURNMENT

Brian Goss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

Morgan County Board of Commissioners

Norman Voyles

Brian Goss

Don Adams

Attest:

Brenda Adams, Morgan Co. Auditor